

Principal Environmental Planner

Position Description

Directorate	Planning	Department	Development Services
Reports To	Coordinator Specialist Assessment	Direct Reports	No

Position Purpose

This position will provide technical expertise and lead the assessment of highly complex development matters relating to relating to biodiversity, environmental management and bushfire hazards to meet the needs of the community within the Moreton Bay Regional Council area.

Key Responsibilities and Outcomes

As a Principal Environmental Planner within the Development Services team you will:

- Act as a technical expert providing advice to Council or its delegate on highly complex development matters relating to biodiversity, environmental management and bushfire hazards.
- Provide technical leadership and direction to the team members in relation to environmental planning matters to drive integrated and sustainable planning outcomes
- Lead the assessment of highly complex development applications in line with legislative, policy and business requirements.
- As Council's delegate, decide development applications in line with legislative, policy and business requirements.
- Lead the review of environmental offsets including the negotiation of complex environmental offset agreements and the transfer of land for environment purposes.
- Undertake site inspections and investigations to support the assessment of development applications including resolution of environmental management issues.
- Support the development of team capability to drive a high performance, continuous improvement and customer focussed culture.
- Build high level relationships with key internal and external stakeholders to ensure quality services outcomes are achieved.
- Represent Council at a range of forums providing expert knowledge and advice to key stakeholders.

Our Values

Our values shape the way we behave, how we interact with each other and our customers. They underpin our decision making and are our guiding principles for how we work every day. As a team member you will take individual accountability for demonstrating the values expectations and behaviours.

SERVICE
TEAMWORK
INTEGRITY
RESPECT
SUSTAINABILITY

Decision Making

Budget

N/A

Delegations

Delegations under the Local Government Act 2009 and as directed and published in Council's Delegation Register

Knowledge & Experience

- Substantial knowledge and experience in the delivery of planning assessment and compliance services.
- Expert knowledge in the principles and practices relating to planning, design, protection and rehabilitation of environmental areas.
- Demonstrated experience providing technical leadership and direction to team members.
- Expert knowledge of the nature conservation, vegetation management and environmental offset legislation in Queensland.
- High level knowledge of the State Planning Policy, the SEQ Regional Plan, the Planning scheme, and the Adopted Infrastructure Charge Resolution.
- Demonstrated experience applying relevant planning and development legislation and policy.
- Excellent communication skills to meet the needs of a range of internal and external stakeholders.
- High level influencing skills and the ability to negotiate complex infrastructure and other commercial agreements.

Qualifications

- Degree in Environmental Planning or equivalent
- General Induction Licence (White Card)
- Current C class driver's licence.

Note: This position description reflects a summary of the key accountabilities of the position, it is not intended to be an all-inclusive list of duties, steps and tasks. Leaders may direct team members to perform other duties at their discretion.